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STATEMENT FROM ILLINOIS LATINO AGENDA:

**Latino Leaders Applaud City Council's Decision to Uphold Sanctuary City Protections
Amid Threats from Trump Administration**

media interviews available

CHICAGO - The following is a statement from the [Illinois Latino Agenda](#) in response to yesterday's City Council vote to keep Chicago's Welcoming City Ordinance:

"The Illinois Latino Agenda commends the City Council for rejecting harmful changes to the Welcoming City Ordinance in the face of threats from the Trump Administration to make Chicago ground zero for mass deportations. This decisive vote ensures our city remains a place of refuge, inclusion and opportunity for all communities.

"For over 40 years, Chicago has stood as a leader in protecting immigrant communities. Today's decision upholds that legacy, reinforcing trust between residents and public safety officials while rejecting fear-driven policies that would undermine community well-being.

"We applaud the aldermen who championed Chicago's diverse communities and urge continued efforts to safeguard the values that make our city strong. We also extend our heartfelt gratitude to the coalition of allies who stand with us in supporting community members without legal status. Together, we reaffirm our commitment to fostering a city where everyone, regardless of their immigration status, race, sexual orientation, or disability status can thrive."

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The Illinois Latino Agenda (ILA) is a coalition that advocates for the representation of Latinos across all sectors and works to advance the economic, political and social prosperity of Latino communities throughout Illinois.